# Mountain Weather Forecast

## Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 22 May 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 23 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 21 May 2021 at 16:56 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for largely fine but cold day Saturday and a fine start Sunday. Lower for details regarding rain band approaching from southwest Sunday and perhaps becoming slow moving over the east of the area Monday, but higher again for becoming more settled towards midweek.

**Headline for Saturday 22 May 2021:** Sunny spells and wintry showers. Cold but winds easing

**Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 22 May 2021**

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|---|---|---|
| **Blizzards**<br>No Likelihood | **Heavy Snow**<br>No Likelihood | **Storm force winds**<br>No Likelihood |
| **Gales**<br>No Likelihood | **Severe chill effect**<br>Medium Likelihood | **Poor visibility**<br>Low Likelihood |
| **Thunderstorms**<br>No Likelihood | **Heavy persistent rain**<br>No Likelihood | **Strong sunlight**<br>Medium Likelihood |

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | | | |
| 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Partly cloudy (night) | Partly cloudy (night) | Cloudy | Sleet showers | Sleet showers | Sleet showers | Sunny intervals | Sunny intervals |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | | | |
| 20% | 20% | 10% | 30% | 30% | 30% | 20% | 10% |

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**Weather:** Clear spells and especially across the north showers, these falling increasingly as snow above about 600m. A bright day follows with some sunny spells and scattered showers, falling increasingly as snow above about 700m. The showers tending to die out later in the afternoon.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** Around 40% at first rising to 75% by late morning and close to 100% by late afternoon.

**Visibility:** Occasional or periods of cloud above about 600m becoming occasional above 750m through the morning and then lifting above the summits later. Away from cloud visibility very good or excellent falling to just a few kilometres in snow showers.

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**Forecast for Saturday 22 May 2021**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) | | | | | Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1000** | 24/29 N | 21/26 N | 18/23 N | 17/22 N | 16/23 NW | 13/20 NW | 12/18 NW | 8/11 W | 6/8 SW |
| **900** | 23/28 N | 19/24 N | 16/21 N | 16/21 N | 16/23 NW | 13/20 NW | 12/18 NW | 8/11 W | 5/8 SW |
| **600** | 15/21 N | 13/18 N | 12/17 N | 12/17 N | 13/20 NW | 12/19 NW | 10/16 NW | 5/8 W | 4/7 S |
| **300** | 6/23 N | 5/20 N | 5/18 N | 6/18 N | 9/21 NW | 8/18 NW | 7/16 NW | 3/9 W | 2/6 S |
| **Glen** | 10/24 N | 7/16 N | 10/19 N | 11/20 N | 10/18 NW | 10/17 NW | 9/15 W | 3/7 W | 3/5 S |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1000** | -3/-11 | -3/-10 | -3/-10 | -2/-8 | -1/-7 | 0/-5 | -0/-5 | -2/-6 | -2/-5 |
| **900** | -2/-10 | -2/-9 | -2/-8 | -1/-7 | 0/-6 | 1/-4 | 1/-4 | -1/-5 | -1/-4 |
| **600** | 0/-5 | 0/-5 | 1/-4 | 1/-3 | 3/-2 | 3/-1 | 3/-0 | 2/-1 | 1/-1 |
| **300** | 3/0 | 2/0 | 3/1 | 4/1 | 6/4 | 7/5 | 6/4 | 4/3 | 3/2 |
| **Glen** | 5/2 | 5/2 | 6/3 | 7/4 | 10/7 | 10/8 | 9/7 | 7/6 | 5/4 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 500m | 600m | 600m | 600m | 700m | 700m | 700m | 700m | 600m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**
Valley temperatures near plus 1 or 2 Celsius at dawn. Unseasonably cold at height.

**Forecast for Sunday 23 May 2021**
**Weather:** Dry with clear spells through the early hours. Then a dry, bright morning but cloud increasing with rain spreading northeast through the afternoon, the rain heavy at times and preceded for a time, above about 900m, by snow.

**Maximum wind:** Southerly or southwesterly around 10-15mph backing southeasterly 20-25mph, gusts around 40mph over higher ridges and summits, for the afternoon.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** Close to 100% through the morning falling to around 25% by late afternoon.

**Visibility:** Little if any cloud below summits through the morning, gradually becoming periods above about 600m through the afternoon, especially across eastern hills. Away from cloud, very good or excellent falling to just a few kilometres in heavier rain and perhaps a kilometre or less in any snow.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Around zero Celsius at dawn rising to plus 11 Celsius by day
**At 800m:** Around plus 4 Celsius
**Freezing level:** 700m rising above summits later

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